

STATE OF MICHIGAN RUTH JOHNSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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REVIEW OF NOMINATING PETITION

Nick Schiller Candidate for U.S. Congress, 2nd District

NUMBER OF VALID SIGNATURES REQUIRED: 1,000 signatures.

TOTAL FILING: 1,167 signatures.

RESULT OF FACE REVIEW: 1,046 valid signatures; 121 invalid signatures.

Total number of signatures filed:		1,167
Signer's jurisdiction is not located in electoral district:	-	40
Signer address or jurisdiction errors (incomplete or incorrect	-	50
address or jurisdiction, dual jurisdiction entry):		
Circulator errors (date omitted, etc.):	-	24
Other signature errors (incomplete or omitted signature):	-	4
Signer date errors (date omitted, dated after circulator, or date	-	3
of birth provided):		
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Face valid signatures:	=	1,046

TOTAL NUMBER OF SIGNATURES QUESTIONED UNDER CHALLENGE: The challenger, Joel Bryson, challenges a total of 654 signatures for various defects in signer entries, including a number of allegedly fraudulent entries. Mr. Schiller filed a written response.

ANALYSIS OF CHALLENGE/RESPONSE: After processing both the challenge and response, 308 additional signatures were determined to be invalid.

Total number of signatures filed:		1,167
Signatures discounted under face review:	-	121
Signatures discounted under challenge (signer not registered to		
vote in the district; signer wrote incorrect jurisdiction of	-	199
registration):		
Signature did not match signature on file:	-	109
Valid signatures after challenge:	=	738

Multiple staff reviewed Mr. Schiller's nominating petition and determined that it contains 109 signatures of dubious authenticity where the signature on the petition did not match the voter's signature on file, was written in handwriting that was substantially the same as handwriting for

other petition entries, or both. These signatures were discounted in the "signature did not match signature on file" category above.

FINAL RESULT: 738 valid signatures.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Determine petition insufficient.